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# **HPAI Outbreaks in India**

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#### **Report Highlights:**

India reported two outbreaks of highly pathogenic H5N1 avian influenza (HPAI) to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE). Both the outbreaks were reported in the state of Chhattisgarh on a poultry production unit of the College of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry and on a government-owned poultry farm.

#### **General Information:**

On August 5, 2013, India reported two outbreaks of highly pathogenic H5N1 avian influenza in the state of Chhattisgarh. The outbreaks occurred in the poultry production unit of the College of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry in Durg and on a government-owned poultry farm in Jagadalpur. The details of the Government of India (GOI) August 5 notification can be accessed at: <u>August 5, 2013 OIE Notification</u>.

In response to the outbreak, the culling of birds, destruction of eggs and feed material will commence immediately within a one kilometer radius of the outbreak and the Government of Chhattisgarh is carrying out the Government of India's protocol, as described in "Action Plan of Animal Husbandry For Preparedness, Control and Containment of Avian Influenza." Additional measures should include destruction of all domestic poultry within a 3-kilometer radius of the outbreak, creation of an intensive surveillance system in a 10-km radius zone, poultry market closures, a prohibition on the sale and transportation of poultry products in the affected area, a ban on the movement of farm personnel, and clean-up and disinfection of the contaminated premises with proper disposal of dead birds and infected materials.

### **Background:**

India reported its first 2013 outbreak of HPAI to OIE on March 11 in the state of Bihar on a government poultry farm in the Lanka Tola, and Madhubani areas of the Purnea district.

On June 17, 2013, the Government of India's Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DAHD) subsequently notified the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) of country freedom from highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI). Please refer to GAIN report IN3068.

Table 1. India: HPAI Outbreak Summary as of August 5, 2013

S. No.	Location of Outbreak	Birds susceptible	1	Birds Culled
1.	Poultry Production Unit, College of Veterinary Sciences and Animal Husbandry, Anjora, Durg	2,149	464	0
2.	Government Poultry Farm, Jagadalpur	6,293	2,392	0

Source: World Organisation for Animal Health